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Letter dated 28 September 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the communiqué by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela protesting against the action taken by officials of the Immigration Service of the Government of the United States of America against the person of the citizen Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mr. Nicolás Maduro Moros, on 23 September 2006 at John F. Kennedy International Airport (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 148.

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Communiqué

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Vene presents its compliments to the honourable Embassy of the United States of Am and on this occasion expresses its strongest protest against the action take officials of the Immigration Service of the Government of the United Stat America against the person of the citizen Minister for Foreign Affairs o Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mr. Nicolás Maduro Moros on 23 Septe 2006 at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York.

This act constitutes a flagrant violation of international law since the il deprivation of the freedom of the Foreign Minister breaches the provisio Article 105 of the Charter of the United Nations; article IV, section 11, of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations; and articl section 11, of the 1947 Agreement between the United Nations and the United S of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Vene categorically demands from the Government of the United States of Amer public apology at the international level as well as the adoption of appro measures in view of the unfriendly, condemnable and unacceptable act to whic highest authority of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republ Venezuela was subjected.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Vene thanks the honourable Embassy of the United States of America for transmittin foregoing statement to its Government's competent authorities and providi appropriate response and takes this opportunity to convey to it the ren assurances of its highest consideration.